

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
09/828,048	04/06/2001	IIan Golecki	050-96-018	5765	
128 7:	590 04/20/2004		EXAM	EXAMINER	
HONEYWEL	L INTERNATIONAL	BRUNSMAN, DAVID M			
101 COLUMBIA ROAD P O BOX 2245			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
MORRISTOWN, NJ 07962-2245			1755		
			DATE MAILED: 04/20/200	4	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

<u> </u>		<del></del>			
, <i>\t</i> _i	Application No.	Applicant(s)			
Advisory Action	09/828,048	GOLECKI, IIAN			
•	Examiner	Art Unit			
	David M Brunsman	1755			
The MAILING DATE of this communication appe	ars on the cover sheet with the o	correspondence address			
THE REPLY FILED 09 April 2004 FAILS TO PLACE TH Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1 condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appe Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.	void abandonment of this applice  I) a timely filed amendment whi	cation. A proper reply to a ch places the application in			
PERIOD FOR RE	PLY [check either a) or b)]				
a) $\square$ The period for reply expires $\underline{5}$ months from the mailing date of					
b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Adverse, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later the ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS 706.07(f).	an SIX MONTHS from the mailing date o	f the final rejection.			
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The da have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of exten 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three molearned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	sion and the corresponding amount of the I statutory period for reply originally set in	e fee. The appropriate extension fee under the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in			
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant' 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CF					
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered b	ecause:				
(a) \( \square\) they raise new issues that would require furth	er consideration and/or search (	(see NOTE below);			
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note I	pelow);				
(c) they are not deemed to place the application issues for appeal; and/or	in better form for appeal by mat	terially reducing or simplifying the			
(d) they present additional claims without cancel NOTE:	ling a corresponding number of	finally rejected claims.			
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	ction(s):				
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	separate, timely filed amendment			
5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for application in condition for allowance because:		sidered but does NOT place the			
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered be raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.		to issues which were newly			
7.⊠ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendmen	For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.				
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:					
Claim(s) allowed:					
Claim(s) objected to:					
Claim(s) rejected: <u>1,5,10,11,13 and 22-27</u> .					
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: 2-4 and 6-	9.				
The drawing correction filed on is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner.					
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statemen					

David M Brunsman Primary Examiner Art Unit: 1755 Application/Control Number: 09/828,048

Art Unit: 1755

Applicants' response filed 09 April 2004 has been carefully considered. A complete reply to the final rejection must include cancellation of nonelected claims or other appropriate action (37 CFR 1.144) See MPEP 821.01. Applicants, apparently inadvertent, oversight in complying with the requirement will not be waived in any further response. Any further communication in this application will be held non-responsive if appropriate action under rule 144 is omitted.

Applicants have elected to prosecute inventions wherein the "material" is "a compound of silicon, oxygen, and carbon". The examination remains subject to that election.

Claims 1, 5, 10, 11, 13 and 22-27 stand finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent 4737379.

The instant claims are drawn to coatings (construed as a deposited film) comprising compounds of silicon, oxygen and carbon (silicon oxycarbide). The recitation of the substrate such as a carbon-carbon composite or a plate fin heat exchanger does not materially limit a claim to the film itself. Such recitation is an indication of the intended use of the film. Patentability does not depend upon intended use. *Ex Parte Wikdahl*, 10 USPQ2d 1546. There is no evidence of record of an actual material difference between the films of the reference and those of the instant claims. Claim 11 requires that the coating of claim 1 is graded through its thickness. Page 6, line 19 through page 7, line 12; of the specification defines "graded" as having a composition that varies in a continuous or step manner through its thickness.

US Patent 4737379 teaches films comprising  $SiC_xO_y$  wherein x and y are from 0 to 2, where x/2 + y/2 approaches 1. Column 16, lines 65+ teach that such layer preferably may be deposited upon an underlayer of a composition differing from the main layer in hydrogen content which underlayer is applied directly to the surface of the substrate (See column 16, lines 39-45). That deposition forms a multilayer film having a composition that varies in a step manner through the thickness of the film. The carbon of said  $SiC_xO_y$  is chemically bound in the compound as described in the same manner in the prior art document that is relied upon by applicant as antecedent basis for newly added claim 25 in the instant specification as originally filed.